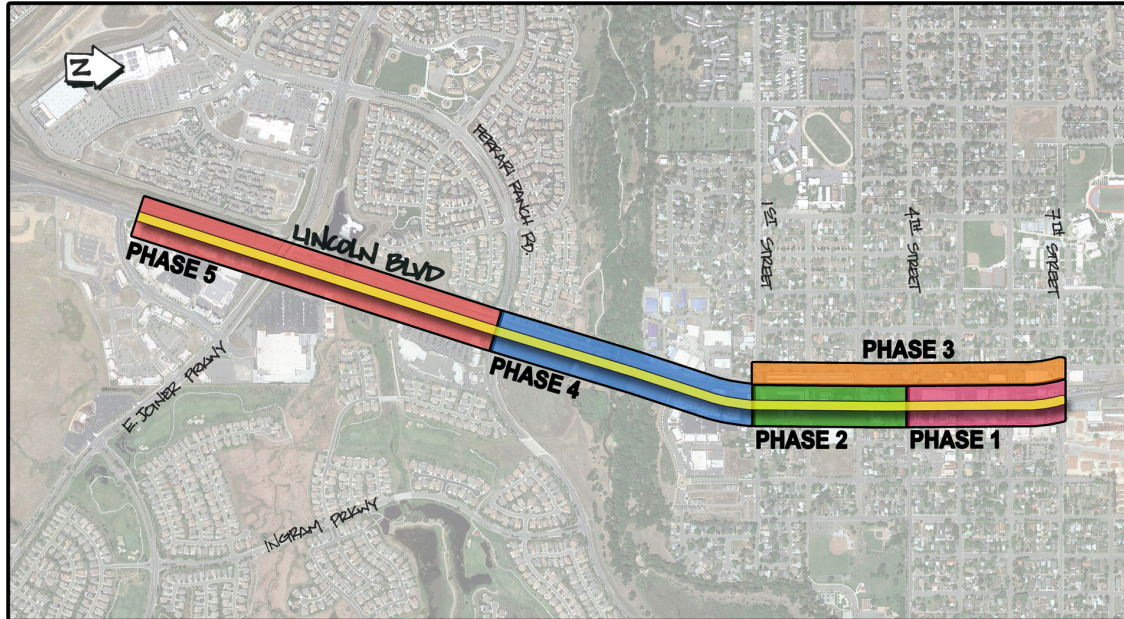


Lincoln Boulevard Improvements Project

PROJECT PHASING



In October of 2012, Caltrans opened the State Route 65 (SR 65) Lincoln Bypass. The opening of the Bypass moved some traffic from the existing SR 65, onto 11.7 miles of new highway that moved traffic around downtown Lincoln beginning at Industrial Blvd. and connected to SR 65 just north of Sheridan, significantly reducing traffic congestion in the area. The Lincoln Blvd. Improvements project will focus on the former Highway 65 from just south of Sterling Parkway to just north of Seventh Street which has been relinquished to the City of Lincoln and has become Lincoln Boulevard. Since the opening of the Bypass, traffic patterns through downtown Lincoln have changed dramatically. The Bypass offered the City of Lincoln an opportunity to change the aesthetic and function of Lincoln Boulevard to better serve multiple forms of transportation, adjacent land uses, and the connecting street network.

In order to address the funding constraints, the improvements will be constructed in phases. The initial phase will focus on the construction of the streetscape improvements between Mc Bean Park Drive and 7th Streets. Additional operational improvements, such as signal timing have already been completed. Further phases will be based upon additional funding opportunities.

HIGHLIGHTS OF EACH PROJECT PHASE INCLUDE:

PHASE 1 – HISTORIC DOWNTOWN PHASE (MCBEAN PARK DRIVE TO 7TH STREET)

- 1A: Traffic Signal Timing (Completed)
- 1B: Streetscape improvements

PHASE 2 – DOWNTOWN PHASE (1ST STREET TO MCBEAN PARK DRIVE)

- Streetscape improvements
- Enhanced landscaping
- NEV lanes, signal modifications

PHASE 3 – UPRR AT-GRADE CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS (1ST STREET TO 7TH STREET)

- Improved Pedestrian Facilities (Sidewalks, Lighting, and Signage)
- Crossing Signal Upgrades

PHASE 4 – BRIDGE PHASE (FERRARI RANCH ROAD TO 1ST STREET)

- Four lane road with a landscaped median
- Enhanced NEV lanes and wider sidewalks
- Auburn Ravine Bridge Replacement Project (separately funded)

PHASE 5 – BOULEVARD PHASE (STERLING PARKWAY TO FERRARI RANCH ROAD)

- Streetscape Improvements
- Landscaping and visual improvements to UPRR crossing
- Entry monument at South end of project

